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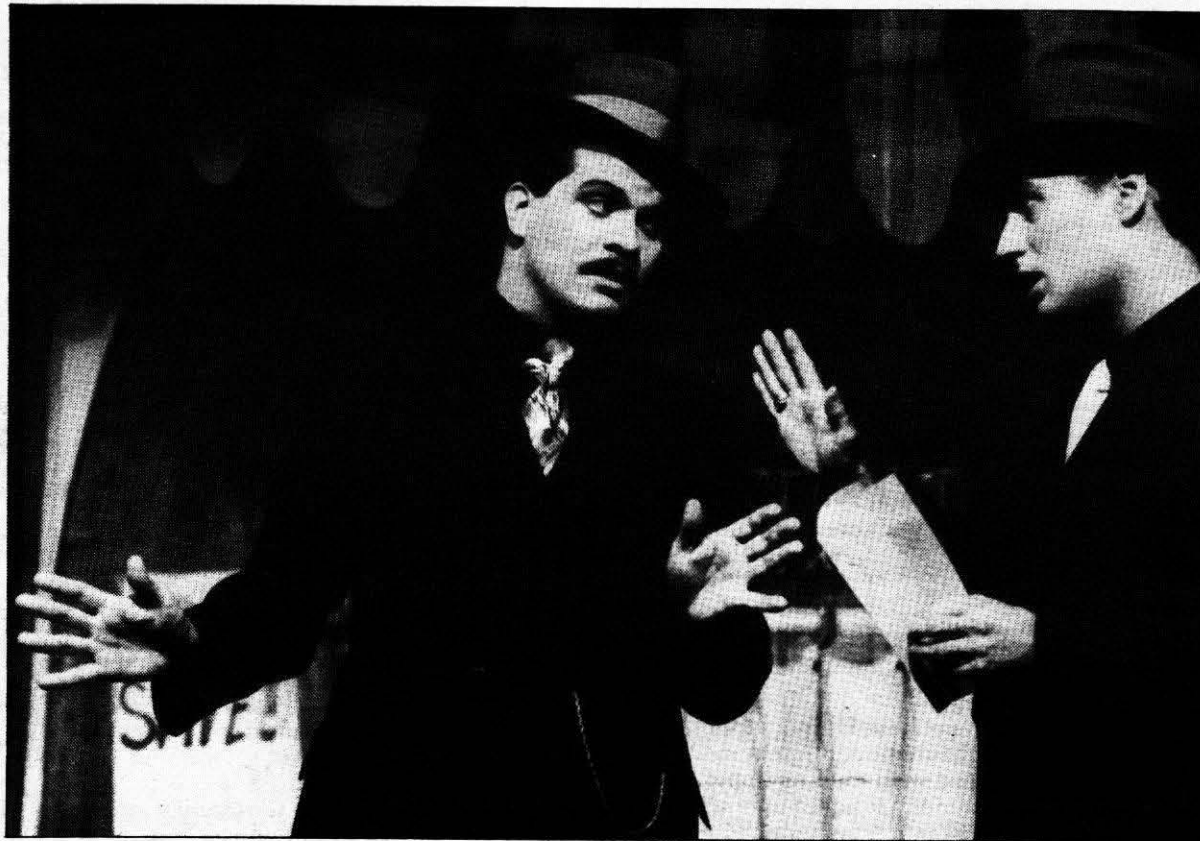
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Where's the dolls?



Guys and Dolls cast members Sky Master-son (Dan Henthorn, New Martinsville senior) and Nathan Detroit (W. Daniel Ray II,

Barboursville, senior) show their stuff in performances through Saturday at Old Main Auditorium.

Photo by Chris Hancock

Staffing woes at Med School chief re-accreditation concern

By Alma Adkins
Reporter

The inability of the Marshall School of Medicine to fill vacant positions is expected to be the principle weakness when an institutional self-study analysis is completed this December, according to Dr. Maurice A. Mufson, chairman of the self-study.

The self-analysis is part of the documentation required for the March visit to the school by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, which determines accreditation for all United States' medical schools.

The LCME visit was originally scheduled for November 1988, but was re-scheduled for March 1989 because of a mistake at the LCME, according to Dr. Patrick I. Brown, associate dean of medical student affairs.

"The LCME had accredited the school for three years and they changed the date of the visit when they realized it had only been two years not three," Brown said.

Lack of monetary resources, physical space restrictions and the small size of the school overall are also weaknesses which cut across departmental lines to affect the entire medical school, Mufson said.

"It is important to remember that every school has problems and every school gets accredited," Mufson said.

The study, which the LCME recommends begin 18 months prior to their visit, began in late June, according to Mufson. "I don't think it's been put off, just organized on a smaller scale," Mufson said.

All faculty members of the medical school were

given forms to complete, listing areas in which they felt the medical school could improve and areas in which the school excels. Administration of the school, educational programs, resources and funds, Ph.D. programs, residency programs, research, and continuing education for practicing physicians will all be addressed by the study.

As chairman of the committee, Mufson will compile information from individual departments and prepare a final report for the LCME. The LCME needs the report six to eight weeks before their visit, March 19 to the 24th.

"I really don't expect any surprises," Mufson said. "Chairmen who keep in touch with their department know day by day what they are facing, what they see as problems or pluses. Specific areas in which we have not been able to recruit full-time people will be our principle weakness."

Dr. Albert G. Moat, chairman of the Microbiology Department, agreed. "The only major problems as I see it, are the two vacancies which have left our department short-handed," Moat said. Productivity in graduate programs or medical education has been exceptional from those who are in the department, even though they are covering work for the two vacant positions, Moat said.

"Small size works against us in getting access to outside funds larger institutions are able to get," Mufson said. Departments which are not understaffed have been able to get money from private sources, he said.

Drug testing

Is program for athletes airtight or full of holes?

By Chris Queen
Reporter

As Marshall's drug testing program enters its third year, athletes and coaches believe the program has both good and bad points.

At least two Marshall athletes said they cheated on drug testing — actually taking drugs and beating the tests. However, Dan Martin, curriculum coordinator of athletic training, questioned whether cheating could happen. Mandatory drug testing was begun to help the athletes, Martin said.

"Drug abuse is a very serious problem in sports and society today. If we have an opportunity to help the athletes by giving these tests and keeping them away from drugs, then I believe we should," he said.

Martin said all athletes are tested at least twice a year, once during physicals and again in January. Random tests can be performed any time during the school year, he said.

"There have been several times when I was guilty, but they haven't caught me yet.

An anonymous athlete

Although the drug tests are not mandatory for schools, Martin believes it is very necessary. "If a team reaches the playoffs or any type of post-season play then the NCAA can do mandatory testing," he said. "We would rather do the tests during the regular season and make sure we don't have people guilty. It would be awful to get all the way to the playoffs and have a bunch of players get caught."

Several Marshall athletes have said they agree with the drug testing policy. Baseball player Raymond D. Nolan, Wayne senior, believes children are affected by athletes who use drugs. "Many kids have athletes who they look up to as heroes, and they want to be just like the athlete," Nolan said.

Track member Stephen M. Varitek, Weirton freshman, also approves of the mandatory testing. "The tests help prohibit guys who are naturally talented from being defeated by others who have cheated to obtain their success," he said.

Although several athletes approved of the policy, others found problems with it. One Marshall athlete who asked not to be identified said it was very easy to cheat on the test. "There have been several times when I was guilty, but they haven't caught me yet," he said. "There are several tricks to use which prevent them from detecting the drug."

Another athlete who asked not to be identified said he simply got out of the test by not taking it. "I left while they were doing a random test one day," he said. "The next day they told me I would have to make it up, but I never did."

Athletic Director Lee Moon said, "If people are beating the system, then we'll have to take a look at the system and tighten the reins if necessary. If someone is cheating, then they are cheating themselves."

However Martin has a different reaction to the cheating. "We know some of them try to cheat on these tests. One of the most popular ways is they will put vinegar or salt in their sample to try and diminish the drug. The chemistry of the test, however, will usually see through this," he said.

Martin added that overall the drug testing has been successful. "The program hasn't been 100 percent efficient, but we believe we're helping many of the athletes," Martin said.

BEYOND MU

From The Associated Press

Round two — rerun of earlier debate?

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG

LOS ANGELES — Once again, there's talk of high stakes as Michael Dukakis and George Bush get ready for their second and last debate of the 1988 presidential campaign.

An AP News Analysis

Maybe this will be the breakthrough debate, the occasion when one or the other will so impress voters with his eloquence or ineptitude that the election will be decided then and there.

More likely it will be an October rerun

of their September debate.

A few new lines have appeared in the campaign weeks following that debate.

Look for Dukakis to hold up a \$20 bill and deride Bush's proposal for a \$1,000-a-year tax deferred savings account tonight.

Twenty bucks, he says, is the annual tax savings Americans would realize from the Bush plan.

Crime has been a major stump theme for Bush in recent days, with renewed attacks on the Massachusetts prison furlough program.

What might voters remember of their first confrontation?

They might recall Bush's stirring de-

fense of his running mate, Indiana Sen. Dan Quayle.

The Republican nominee predicted his running mate would do "very well when we get into the debates."

Quayle has since had his debate with Democratic vice presidential nominee Lloyd Bentsen. The Indiana senator came across as overly programmed and the polls showed that he fell short of Bush's expectations.

Will Bush rise to the defense of Quayle again? That should be one moment to watch for in tonight's debate.

That first presidential debate also was the night that Dukakis gave a passionless response to a question about his lack

of passion, about the characterization that he is "the smartest clerk in the world."

"I care deeply about people," said Dukakis. He said it again and again.

Dukakis did show a passion for certain words. He used "lead," "leader," and "leadership" 18 times during the debate. He also was partial toward "values" and "strength."

Twelve times, Dukakis referred to "values." Bush wasn't far behind, using the word 11 times — six times in his first response.

"Liberal" and "liberals" were Bush favorites; he used one or the other eight times.

Decline in student enrollment could hurt proposed stadium

HUNTINGTON — The state Board of Regents is counting on college tuition and registration fees to help pay for Marshall University's proposed new \$30 million stadium, but there's no guarantee there'll be enough students and money to pay off the debt, a regents official says.

This year's 3.9 percent college enrollment increase won't hold up in the coming years, regents officials estimate.

"I don't think that's going to be able to hold in the next 10 to 15 years because we don't have that many people in the pipeline," said Doug Call, executive assistant to regents Chancellor William Simmons.

Under a plan proposed by Gov. Arch Moore, the regents would refinance \$126 million in outstanding bond indebtedness to pay for the 30,000-seat stadium and projects at other state colleges.

Hospital security tightened after baby kidnapping in Cabell County

HUNTINGTON — Security measures have been tightened at Cabell Huntington Hospital, officials say three months after a baby was kidnapped from the maternity ward.

"It's really scary what people go through to steal babies," said Janet Ferguson, the hospital's director of public relations.

Before July's kidnapping, the father or a grandmother could take a baby from the nursery to the mother's room, but that practice has been stopped, Ferguson said.

"No one except the mother can get the baby from the nursery, and the baby will be identified with the mother by matching up the information on their hospital armbands," she said.

Capapon Park ski plans on hold; not enough water to make snow

BERKELEY SPRINGS — State officials are talking about scaling down their plans for a major ski resort at Cacapon State Park because they can't find enough water to run snow-making machines.

"We're still trying to figure out how to get water," said Don Andrews, chief of special projects for the state Commerce Department.

Park superintendent Philip Dawson said the park's water comes from a series of small, capped springs, one small well and several reservoirs.

Original plans for Cacapon called for the developer to buy private land on the side of Cacapon Mountain not included in the park and convert it into ski slopes.

Reasons for crash of plane in Michigan to be investigated

OSCODA, Mich. — A training exercise for a fire crew at an Air Force base turned into a life-and-death struggle when a tanker plane crashed, killing all six crew members and injuring 10 passengers.

Wurtsmith, located near Lake Huron, is one of two Michigan bases in the Strategic Air Command. Nineteen B-52 bombers armed with nuclear-tipped cruise missiles and nuclear bombs are based at Wurtsmith.

The KC-135 Stratotanker, a four-engine plane used to refuel other planes, was returning to the base from a mission to K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base in Michigan's Upper Peninsula when it crashed and burned, said Staff Sgt. Donald Lawber, a spokesman at Wurtsmith in the northeastern Lower Peninsula.

The six crew members died at the scene, authorities said. Eight of the 10 injured were treated and released from the 379th Strategic Hospital at the base, Staff Sgt. Albert Fleming said. Two people admitted to the base hospital were in good condition Wednesday.

The base's firefighters had just completed a training exercise when the accident occurred, and they quickly doused the flames, said Air Force Sgt. Gene Babbie.

The 10 passengers, all military personnel, were being brought to Wurtsmith from K.I. Sawyer to participate in a base inspection, part of preparation for an inspection by officials from Strategic Air Command headquarters in Omaha, Neb., said Anita Bailey, spokeswoman for K.I. Sawyer.

The Air Force said it hadn't determined the cause of the crash Tuesday afternoon at Wurtsmith Air Force Base. A board of officers will be appointed to investigate.

Convicted drug smuggler to open AIDS hospice in lieu of jail term

PORTLAND, Maine — An organizer of a marijuana-smuggling ring ordered by a judge to open an AIDS hospice rather than serve years in prison says he's pleased with the sentence, but may have had an easier time behind bars.

The sentence issued Tuesday by U.S. District Judge Gene Carter, believed to be the first of its kind in the country, calls for Harvey M. Prager to operate a hospice in Maine that will house at least three AIDS victims.

The 41-year-old Prager, who helped open the first AIDS hospice in South America, and his French-born wife, Sandrine, will act as non-paid resident managers for five years.

Prager pleaded guilty in January to conspiracy, possession and importation of marijuana. He could have received up to 15 years in prison and a \$125,000 fine.

Carter, who is known for handing down maximum penalties in drug-related cases, said he will impose a jail term if the hospice fails to materialize.

\$1.6 billion German bank credit for Soviets to be signed soon

FRANKFURT, West Germany — A consortium of West German banks next week plans to sign a \$1.6 billion credit agreement for the Soviet Union, reportedly the biggest Western credit line ever to the Soviet Union, according to financial sources.

Deutsche Bank, West Germany's largest commercial bank, is heading the consortium involved in the agreement.

Soviet officials hope to use the money to improve the Soviet Union's food processing and consumer goods industries, a top priority of Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev, according to today's editions of The New York Times.

Deutsche Bank announced in May that it was heading a consortium of banks to extend the credit to the Soviets to boost the communist nation's consumer goods production and delivery.

The credit line arranged with Moscow's Bank for Foreign Economic Affairs is to have an 8-year life, with interest rates to be set as individual projects are arranged.

German banks traditionally have been a leading Western lender to the Soviet Union, trailing only the Japanese. Of the roughly \$16 billion lent to the Soviets since 1984, 40 percent came from Japanese banks and 30 percent from German banks, the Times stated.

U.S. banks accounted for only about 2 percent of the other new lending to the Soviets.

Shift seen in Palestinian tactics

JERUSALEM — Soldiers blew up four Palestinian homes and sealed five others Wednesday in reprisal for the murder of Arabs who collaborated with Israel. Palestinians hurled a grenade at a troop bus but missed.

Noting an increased use of guns and grenades by Palestinian activists, Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin suggested there had been a shift in Palestinian tactics from stones to more sophisticated weapons.

"Once they shift from civilian violence to terror for me it is proof that they failed to achieve their goals by what they call the intefadeh," Rabin said, using the Arabic word for uprising.

The army did not identify the group behind the latest grenade attacks, but Arab journalists in the Gaza Strip said rumors circulated that the attacks were the work of Islamic militants.

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OPINION

Yeager problems an embarrassment

Recent media reports suggest the Society of Yeager Scholars is suffering financial difficulties — so much so that the Society may be forced to cut the number of scholars in succeeding years from 20 to 10 or 12.

While it is regrettable this may be the program's only course of action, this situation only can bring embarrassment to the university.

Let us first say we have nothing against the program or what it represents. It was a very good idea that could have been and quite possibly still will be a source of pride for the university and state. Without doubt, the 40 scholars now on campus are top-notch students who already are playing a significant role in campus life.

Our contention is that the university put the cart before the horse with the program.

According to a Society of Yeager Scholars information sheet dated August 1986, the expenses of the Society of Yeager Scholars were to be paid from an endowment that was and still is being raised.

An \$8 million endowment originally was thought to be enough to finance the program which ultimately would support 80 students. Later, it was suggested that \$8 million would not be enough. Some even have suggested it may take \$10 to \$13 million to support the program as it was promoted. That is a lot of money, especially to be raised from an area as depressed as the Tri-State has been for several years.

To date, the Society reportedly has \$1.2 million in the bank and \$2.9 million pledged to the program. The Society also reportedly owes the university roughly \$200,000.

In addition, President Dale F. Nitzschke awarded 21 West Virginia tuition waivers to the Society. Tuition waivers, we might add, that could have been and should have been given to 21 financially-strapped students.

If the program had been financed as it originally was intended, there would be no need for state money to be involved. The state of West Virginia simply cannot afford to subsidize the Society of Yeager Scholars.

It's easy to say the founders of the program should have known better than to promise the world without having the money to pay for it.

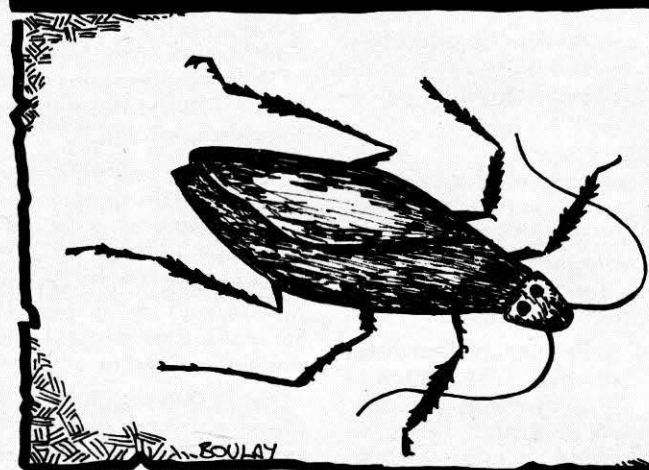
The Herald-Dispatch argued in an editorial Tuesday that the Society should cut the number of scholars before cutting quality. We agree. But, the fact that anything may have to be sacrificed to keep the program afloat is an embarrassment.

West Virginia already has a national reputation for having an underfunded system of higher education and low faculty salaries. It really isn't going to look much better that the premier scholarship program at the state's second largest university simply could not provide all that it promised.

CORRECTION

A story in Tuesday's Parthenon incorrectly reported the day of John Fiedler's speech about movie production. Fiedler will speak at 2 p.m. Sunday in Memorial Student Center 2W22.

WHAT IS THIS?



ANSWERS

- A small germ-carrying insect.
- The sacrificial animal of those too wimpy to catch a goat.
- Mohammar Khadaffi's intellectual equal.
- The third roommate in a dorm room.

READERS SPEAK

Elvis deserves more respect than 'Viva Elvis'

To the editor:

I have been an Elvis Presley fan for over 15 years now, and have read many articles about him over the years. But by far the article that appeared in the Sept. 30 edition of The Parthenon was the worst I have ever encountered.

Surely your newspaper cannot be so desperate for a story that it would print trash like "Viva Elvis." First, to Mr. Slack who wrote the article, Elvis died on Aug. 16, 1977, not Aug. 7, 1977. I thought good reporters were supposed to have their facts straight before submitting an article for printing. Secondly, if Elvis were alive today, he'd be appalled by this article. Visiting Huntington Burger Kings, putting money in condom machines, playing John Denver tunes in the student center — C'mon!!!

This article, and I use the word very loosely, in my opinion, was meant to poke fun at the rumors that suggest he is alive today. I'm a pretty reasonable guy and I enjoy a good joke like everyone else. But instead of laughing after reading "Viva Elvis," I was disgusted and embarrassed that the school I attend has a newspaper that would print something like this.

Let's face it, when you die, do you want people going around saying you have been spotted buying condoms, even if they are joking? Humor can only go so far before becoming sick and distasteful.

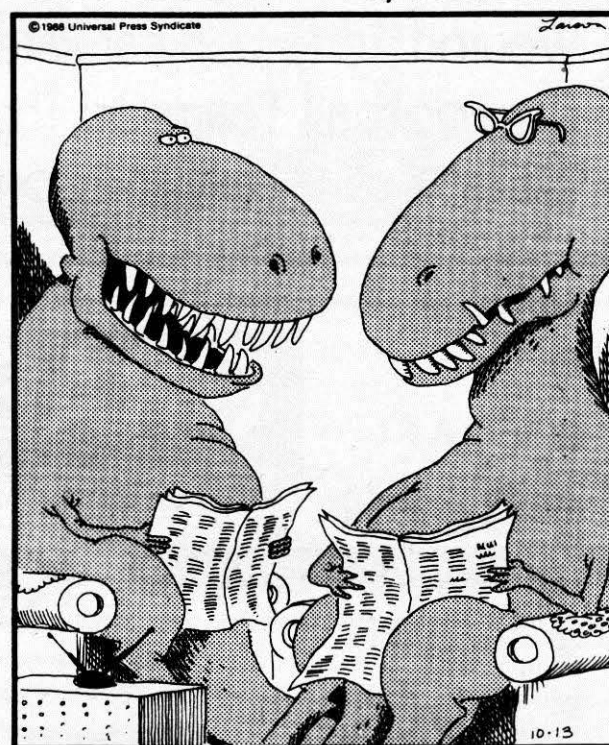
Many of us today still hold Elvis' memory with pride. He was one of the greatest entertainers this world will ever know and was responsible for opening the door to the many different kinds of music that people listen to today, and I think he deserves a little more respect.

I have read my last issue of The Parthenon and if it continues to print articles like "Viva Elvis" I won't be missing much.

Sincerely,
Roman Duvall
Flatwoods junior

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Hey.... Since the kids are in bed, what say we run out and kill ourselves a couple of plant-eaters."

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New computer system turns payment easier

By Jack Ingles
Reporter

If paying college bills at Marshall every year has seemed like an obstacle course in getting all the paperwork together, then a new computer system may make life easier in the near future.

Now, some students may have to go to the bursar's office, the financial aid office, back to the bursar, over to the housing office and then back to the bursar just to pay the college expenses.

University officials expect to have the new computer program in operation by next fall that will provide "one stop" paperwork. It's called the Banner Software System and the Oracle Data Base Management System.

"Our goal is to speed up the operation and cut down on the duplication of paperwork," said William S. Deel, director of campus technology.

When bills go out next fall, the system will check to see if a student is entitled to financial aid and if they have outstand-

"Our goal is to speed up the operation and cut down on the duplication of paperwork."

William S. Deel

ing debts. If the student is entitled to financial aid, the bill will be sent to the student with the amount of financial aid taken out.

For example if the student's bill is \$2,000 and he is to receive \$500 in financial aid, he will receive a bill for \$1,500 instead of the \$2,000 bill.

"We are encouraged by the system. It will be much easier to work with than the present system," Deel said.

The idea of a Banner system originated with Marshall. "The Board of Regents liked the idea, and they decided to institute a state program," Deel said.

The network wide system which includes the Banner system and the Ora-

cle data base cost \$1,215,000. "The Banner software system cost a fraction of what it could have cost," said Arnold R. Miller, director of the computer center. "The system could have cost over \$3 million." Because Banner was a prototype, the Oracle system was the majority of \$1,215,000.

"A reason we were willing to accept the system was because it was based on the Oracle system," Miller said.

The Oracle system stores the information while the Banner system accesses the information.

Once the student information is loaded into the general person, the Banner program can then report to the various departments.

A concern Miller and others have is how to load the system. Two proposals for loading the general person data base are a class load or a history load.

As each freshmen class enrolls at Marshall, they would be added to the system. "The system would build itself," Deel said. "The problem with this proce-

dures is how to load the information of the previously enrolled classes." The staff would have to deal with two systems. They would have deal with the old system to accommodate the old students."

The history procedure would load all students' information at one time. "It would be a long and time consuming process," Deel said.

A second concern Miller said he had is the loading of the information into the system. The information has to be loaded carefully to avoid mistakes.

A third concern about the system is who has access to the information. Certain people from each department would have access. "A profile for each person who has access to information would be developed," Miller said. "The program would tell the user whether he has access or not and if he can update the file."

There would also be a program that would keep track of students' grades, tell the faculty user what classes they have taken, and what classes they still have to take.

Visit to career counselors at Marshall pays off

By Kelli Hunt
Reporter

Some Marshall graduates said the Career Planning and Placement Center at Marshall University is a good place to develop job seeking skills.

"The center helped me learn about the job opportunities around me. They showed me where to look for a job," said David W. Mullins, staff accountant for the James Rossi Certified Public Accountant Firm.

Mullins, a 1987 accounting graduate of Marshall, said he would not have his job now if it were not for the center.

Mullins has been with the firm since June and said, "In my job I do a little of everything."

Although the center staff has helped to place some students in a job, for some graduates it has proved to be a place to sharpen their job interviewing skills. Gregory K. Hutton, systems analyst for Kaiser Aluminum, did not get his job as a result of an interview conducted at

Marshall.

"The experience I got through the center was good and they were very helpful. However, the job I have now I got on my own," Hutton said.

Hutton is a 1987 computer science graduate. Kaiser Aluminum is his second job since graduation and he has been with that company for four months.

The center was also a job outlet for Susan A. Legg, a payment analyst for Columbia Gas Transmission.

Legg is a 1987 graduate with a degree in accounting. This is her first job since graduation and she has been with the company for 15 months.

Reginald A. Spencer, director of the Career Planning and Placement Center said that graduates who are pleased with the help they get from the center will let their friends know. "The graduates will pass the information on to peers still in college. They will say 'hey spending time at the center can pay off,'" Spencer said.

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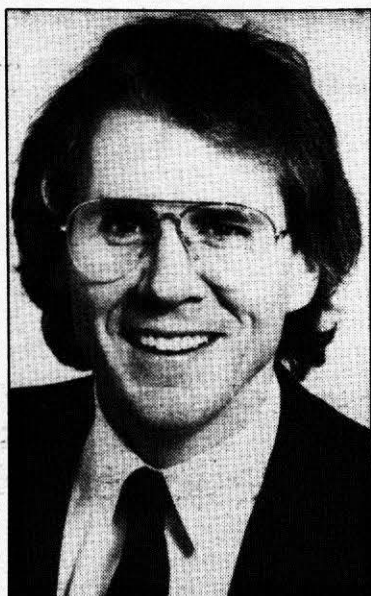
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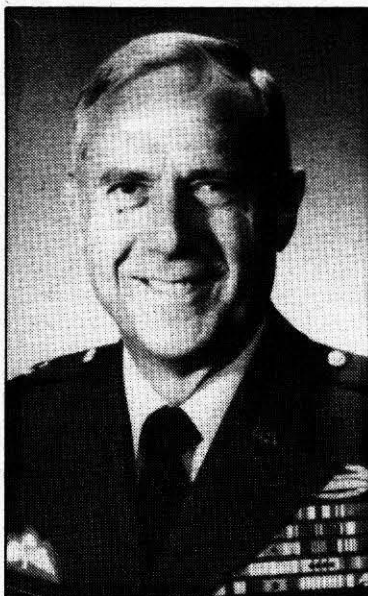
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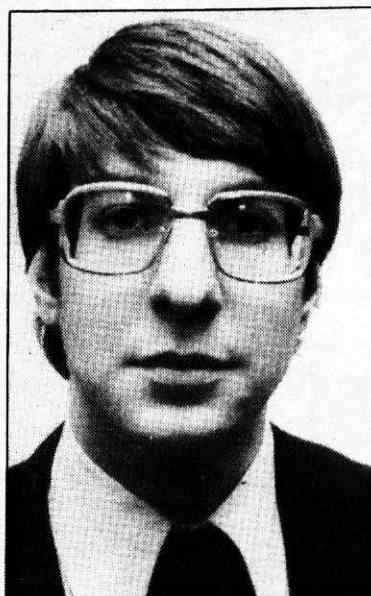
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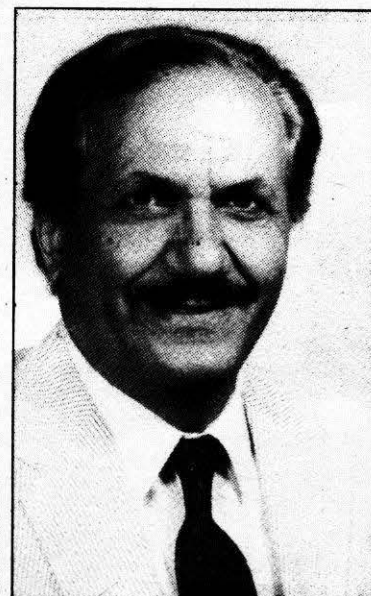
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Symposium to discuss 'The Beast' in society

By Jack Ingles
Reporter

Hollywood actors and producers will be on campus Saturday, October 15, to discuss the production of the movie "The Beast" and its relation to international conflict, as part of the Society of Yeager Scholars Symposium on the "Conflict of Our Times."

George Dzundza from the movies "No Way Out" and "No Mercy," and James Fiedler, Hollywood producer and Marshall graduate are the principle speakers. They will be in Memorial Student Center room 2W22 at 6 p.m. Also appearing will be Fiedler's wife, Bess Armstrong ("High Road to China"), and Erick Avari (New York Shakespeare Festival's "A Midsummer Night's Dream").

The topic for the second annual Yeager Scholars symposium was a result of Fiedler's donation of "The Beast" for use as a fund raiser, according to William N. Denman, director of the Society of Yeager Scholars.

The symposium will be free to all Marshall students and general public.

Other speakers at the symposium will be Thomas J.R. Kent, world services editor of Associated Press, who will speak about "Reporting Conflict" at 11 a.m. today in Old Main Auditorium.

Also speaking today are Morris D. Busby, U.S. Department of State special envoy for Central America, who will

discuss "Foreign Policy and Conflicts Abroad" at 1 p.m. in the OM Auditorium; and Cyrus H. Tahmassebi, chief economist and director of marketing research for Ashland Oil, Inc., who will speak about "Oil and the Middle East" at 8 p.m. in Smith Hall 154.

Speaking Friday, Oct. 14, are Hume A. Horan, research professor of diplomacy, Georgetown University, who will speak about "The Middle East and the United States" at 9 a.m. in OM Auditorium and former ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; and U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Roy K. Flint, dean of the Academic Board, U.S. Military Academy, who will discuss "Conflicts Abroad: How Americans React to Wars Overseas" at 11 a.m. in OM Auditorium.

- Speaking Thursday:
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- Speaking Saturday:
Fiedler, Drundza, Avari, Armstrong, "The Beast," 6 p.m., MSC 2W22

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Improved speed, comprehension goals of Community College course

Good readers can become even faster

By Lisa Tignor
Reporter

Good readers who want to improve might give the Community College a call.

The college is offering a speed reading course designed to help the good reader increase comprehension speed by learning reading strategies and when to apply them.

The class is a graded, eight-weeks course and worth one credit hour.

Because there is a limit of 25 students, Nedra K. Lowe, chairwoman of the developmental education division of the college, said she thinks students should sign up as soon as possible.

Registration for the class will be in the

Community College in rooms 128 and 115. The course is free to full-time students and the fee is \$42 for part-time students.

According to reading specialist Mary Ann Donner, the class is not designed to improve basic reading skills. "This course is for upper level students who are already proficient readers. It will help if a student needs to improve his reading speed and still maintain comprehension. It will be helpful to medical students and students studying for the

LSAT, GRE, or PPST. This class should be considered an investment that will carry over and improve other classes."

A reading specialist and part time instructor in the CC, Linda Bunting, will teach the class.

The class will cover the 10 factors affecting reading speed and comprehension. These factors are vision, word recognition, horizontal eye span, regression, subvocalization, concentration, flexibility, scan and skim, close reading, and rapidity.

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SPORTS

Spiker Kim Eby a hit both on and off court

By Chris Queen
Reporter

With all the bad things affiliated with college athletics today — illegal drug use, failed ACT and SAT tests, illegal reception of money — it is sometimes forgotten or unknown that some athletes are excelling both on and off the playing field. A case in point is Marshall volleyball player Kim Eby.

Eby is a junior hitter from Ashland, Ky., for the Lady Spikers, but she is doing her work off the volleyball court as well. Last year Eby was the female recipient of the Cam Henderson Scholarship Award, an annual award presented to one male and one female athlete at Marshall who display leadership, outstanding character and athletic ability while maintaining high academic standards. Eby has no problem fitting this bill.

A graduate of Paul Blazer High School in Ashland, Eby is the co-captain of the team and an Elementary Education major with an overall grade point average of 3.64. She is also a member of several campus programs, such as Gamma Beta Phi Society, Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society, Alpha Xi Delta Sorority and Student Alumni Association, and has previously been awarded the Armco Self Reliance Award, the Elks Award and the Athletic/Academic Award.

With all of Eby's accomplishments in mind, volleyball coach Martha Newberry said she was not surprised when her player added the CHSA to her list of accolades.

"I have a lot of respect for Kim and she was certainly deserving of the award. She is one of the best leaders I've ever had here because she is a leader off the court as well as on it. Perhaps the best thing about Kim, though, is that she is such a team player. She works as hard as she can to see that the total team is ready to play, and I think that carries over to her work elsewhere."

Eby said she loves receiving all the awards, but right now she wants to complete her education and get on with her life. She said she has no doubts about what she wants to do after college. "I love kids and I want to be in contact with them by teaching. Eventually, I think I would like even to teach volleyball to youngsters."

In the meantime, Eby said she is enjoying the team's success this year — first place in the conference right now with a 5-1 mark — and there is no reason why it can not continue. "Right now we are playing real well as a team, and that is the most important thing. We feel we are as good as any team in the conference and we can beat any of them if we play together."

Newberry said Eby's personal statistics rank among the team leaders in kills, serving aces, defensive digs and total attacks, but Eby said these are not the foremost thing on her mind.

"Winning is the most important thing, not personal statistics. We have a chance to have one of our best seasons here if everyone concentrates on winning. Right now the bench players are contributing and everyone is getting along real well. If this continues I believe we will be an unbelievable success."

Another thing Eby said is pleasing to her this year is the increased fan support. "We had one of our best crowds ever during the September 17th games against Appalachian State and Furman. What was surprising was there were just as many faculty members as students. The fan support really helps, so I hope that it continues throughout the season."

The Herd's next home match is tonight at 6:30 against Midway College of Kentucky, but Saturday when it hosts second-place East Tennessee State at 11:00 a.m. Marshall will be playing what Newberry said is its most important match thus far.

Dan Cook is a fan, too

By Mell Spicer
Reporter

It may be misunderstood that sports announcers, whether they be radio or television, are not interested in the game but are just doing their jobs. Dan Cook said this is not the case with him.

Cook became the radio play-by-play man for Marshall football and basketball this year, replacing Bill Roth, who left to take on similar duties at Virginia Tech, and he describes his job interestingly. "I'm just a sports fan with the ability to explain the game well," he said.

Cook said he was encouraged to apply for the opening by some of the people at Marshall when Roth left, but that he was a little hesitant at first because of his unfamiliarity with the Herd.

"I knew a little bit about the basketball team and knew the football team was up-and-coming, but that was about it. I really knew no specifics," the former North Louisiana University announcer said. "Fortunately, all the people here were very friendly and very patient with me. That gave me confidence to learn the system."

One thing Cook said he feels strongly about at Marshall is the student support of its teams. "Too often students take their athletic teams for granted. Regardless of whether a team wins or loses its students should support it, and they do that here."

Cook first became interested in announcing because of his sports-oriented family. He said it was what he wanted to do ever since he used to pretend to interview his teammates after their little league baseball games. "I've always wanted to be involved with sport, so, since I wasn't the best player, I decided to become an announcer."

Cook said he loves his job even though a lot of hard work is involved. "I place a lot of emphasis on preparing for a game during the week. A lot of people do not realize how much work and time is a part of announcing, but I think it's worth it because I take pride in being well-prepared."

Before coming here, Cook was an announcer at NLU and for WCHS Radio in Charleston, where he announced for both the Charleston Gunners basketball team and the Charleston Wheelers baseball squad.

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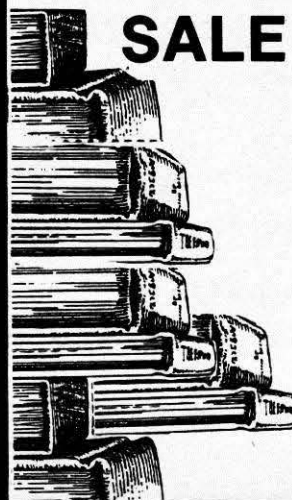
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Come back from the 'dead'? Water bears do

An aquatic biologist on sabbatical leave is conducting research at Marshall on microscopic invertebrates, "water bears," that can possibly provide clues to the aging process of humans in their ability to stay in a suspended state of animation for extended periods of time.

By Chris M. Grishkin
Reporter

While on sabbatical leave until next semester, an aquatic biologist at Marshall may provide clues to the aging process in humans.

Dr. Donald C. Tarter has been conducting research on tardigrades, microscopic invertebrates commonly called "water bears," since April. The water bears live in semi-terrestrial, freshwater and marine habitats.

Tardigrades are called water bears because under a high-powered phase contrast microscope, the tardigrade has four pairs of legs with claws and move in slow, lumbering movements, characteristic of bears.

Dr. Diane R. Nelson, a leading authority on tardigrades and professor of biological science at East Tennessee State University, said water bears are a food chain link and occupy a specialized niche in the marine, freshwater or terrestrial ecosystems they inhabit.

However, "water bears" are able to do

something most organisms are unable to do.

Tarter said tardigrades can stay in an almost dehydrated state for extended periods of time and then return to life.

Since the animal stops aging during this state, knowledge of the mechanism involved may offer answers to the aging process in animals and humans, Nelson said.

Nelson said if it is too dry or cold, the invertebrate suspends its life process until a better time. She said it is more of a state of suspended animation than resurrection.

Tarter said he travels to Spruce Knob in Pendleton County, to collect materials. Since Spruce Knob is the highest point in W.Va., Tarter compares specimens collected at different elevations to see if there is a correlation between elevation and "water bear" distribution.

After he collects moss at Spruce Knob, he will travel to Tennessee to work with Nelson.

Tarter said he plans to collect samples in Ohio, Maryland and Kentucky to compare with samples found in West



Photo by Chris Hancock

Dr. Donald C. Tarter explains water bears and their process of suspended animation to a Marshall biology student.

Virginia.

Biology students Sandy Gillenwater, Barboursville senior, and Kimberly Ruggles, Tunnelton, graduate student,

assist Tarter in his research.

Tarter will resume teaching aquatic biology, limnology, animal ecology and ichthyology in the spring.



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